

URBAN PARK AND RECREATION FUND

Appropriation Language

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Justification of Major Proposed Language Changes

1. Deletion: "For expenses necessary to carry out the provisions of the Urban Park and Recreation Recovery Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 2501 et seq.), \$305,000, to remain available until expended."

The FY 2005 Budget proposes to transfer limited funding for administering previously awarded grants to the National Recreation and Preservation Account.

Authorizing Statutes

16 U.S.C. 2501-2514 Urban Park and Recreation Recovery Act of 1978, as amended, establishes the Urban Park and Recreation Fund and prescribes how funds are to be obtained and distributed. The Act authorizes certain activities with the common purpose of helping provide outdoor recreation resources which include: inventory, evaluation, and classification of needs and resources; formulation of a comprehensive nationwide recreation plan; technical assistance to non-federal entities; encouragement of cooperation among states and federal entities; and research and education.

2 U.S.C. 9000(c)(4), The Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended by Title VIII of Public Law 106-291, Department of Interior appropriations for FY2001, lists appropriations within which funding to preserve natural resources, to provide for recreation, and for related purposes constitutes 'conservation spending category'